

**Denial of Request for Extension of
Small Refinery Temporary Exemption
Under the Renewable Fuel Standards Program
For**

(b) (4)

Contains Information Claimed by

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To be Confidential Business Information

Office of Transportation and Air Quality

EPA received a petition from (b) (4) [REDACTED] dated April 1, 2016, for a [REDACTED] extension of the RFS small refinery exemption for (b) (4) [REDACTED] Redacted
[REDACTED] For the reasons described herein, EPA is also denying (b) (4) [REDACTED] request for an extension of the RFS small refinery exemption for the (b) (4) [REDACTED] for 2015.

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V. Conclusion

Section 211(o)(9)(B) of the CAA and 40 CFR 80.1441(e)(2) allow EPA to grant an extension of a small refinery's exemption based on a demonstration by the small refinery of a "disproportionate economic hardship" from compliance with its RFS requirements.

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Based on our analysis of all of the available information about (b) (4), and our consultation with DOE, EPA has concluded that (b) (4) will not experience “disproportionate economic hardship” in complying with its 2015 RFS requirements. Therefore, EPA is hereby denying (b) (4) request for a temporary extension of (b) (4) small refinery RFS hardship exemption for 2015.

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